

METU, Spring 2014, Math 504.

## Homework 6

(due May 21)

1. Determine the splitting field and its degree over  $\mathbf{Q}$  for  $f(x) = x^6 + 3$ .
2. If  $F$  is algebraically closed and  $E$  consists of all elements in  $F$  that are algebraic over  $K$ , then show that  $E$  is an algebraic closure of  $K$ .
3. Prove that an algebraic extension  $F$  of  $K$  is normal over  $K$  if and only if for every irreducible  $f \in K[x]$ ,  $f$  factors in  $F[x]$  as a product of irreducible factors all of which have the same degree.
4. Let  $f(x) = x^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$  be a cubic irreducible polynomial over  $\mathbf{Q}$ . Let  $G$  be the Galois group of the polynomial  $f$  over  $\mathbf{Q}$ . Are the following true? Prove or disprove.
  - If roots of  $f$  are real then  $G \cong A_3$ .
  - If  $G \cong A_3$ , then roots of  $f$  must be real.
5. Let  $f(x) = x^4 - x^3 + 3x^2 + x + 1$ . Show that  $f$  is irreducible over  $\mathbf{Q}$ . Let  $F$  be its splitting field. Determine the Galois group of  $F/\mathbf{Q}$ . Show that  $E = \mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{5}) \subset F$  and determine the corresponding subgroup  $E'$  of  $\text{Aut}_K F$ .